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U.S. Embassy Celebrates the 239th American Independence Day and 170th Anniversary of U.S.-Brunei Friendship

On November 4, 2015, U.S. Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam Craig Allen hosted an event to celebrate the 239th American Independence Day and the 170th Anniversary of U.S.-Brunei Friendship. The event was held at the Ambassador's Residence in Tungku.

The event was attended by Guest of Honor Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Seri Kerna Dato Seri Setia (Dr) Hj Awg Abu Bakar Hj Apong, Minister of Home Affairs, as well as Brunei Government officials, members of the diplomatic community, business executives, members of the media, and other invited guests.

Ambassador Allen welcomed the guests to his home and delivered brief remarks. He said, "This evening we celebrate the 239th American Independence Day. In addition, we also recognize the 170th anniversary of friendly relations between the United States of America and Brunei Darussalam, dating from a visit of the ship USS Constitution to Brunei Bay in 1845."

As a gift of appreciation, Ambassador Allen presented the Guest of Honor with a special replica of the USS Constitution.

The event included special performances by the U.S. Navy's Seventh Fleet band, "The Orient Express".

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